

## WOMEN STILL CLING TO BLOUSE WAISTS

Separate Garment Has Such Advantages That It Refuses to Be Downed.

The separate blouse is far from banished from polite society, but its standing is effectively changed from a few years ago.

The white blouse, by written mandate, was exiled from the wardrobe many a season since, and as a fashion holds no rank today. As a favorite with femininity, however, it would be unsafe to say that it has depreciated in value since it was first adopted.

White lingerie, white net, white crepe, to say nothing at all of the all but priceless handmade white lace waists, abound in every well-fitted ready-to-wear waist department. The net and lace waists, to be sure, often find their way to the dyer's to be given the color of the costume which they are to accompany. But hosts of high-priced white waists are sold every day, to say nothing of the myriads of moderately priced ones which women of good taste are picking up regularly. Far from being banished, the white waist goes through the year figuring almost as conspicuously under the fur coat as with the summer wash suit.

But it is true that women of moderate means can less well afford expensive white lingerie and other white waists now than formerly. The waists are no longer suited to dress occasions, when gowns of one tone are the demand. But the ready-to-wear waist with the dyer's help meets the situation.

## TEA WAGON USEFUL WITH FEW SERVANTS

Convenient in Suburban Homes to Serve Sunday Evening Light Meal.

The tea wagon is especially a boon to the households where but few servants are kept. It is an innovation in the present popular sense of its use, the specially new feature of it is the glass tray upon which the hot teapot or any other hot dish may be placed without injuring polished woodwork.

The glass tray is removable, lifted out by the two brass handles, if desired. There are two under sections for holding extra cups and saucers, a salad, sandwiches or cake, the top tray being for the tea service alone.

As an adjunct to the tea wagon you can get a willow or bamboo plate holder that is a great acquisition, if desired. It is gaining widely in popularity for Sunday evening tea, and especially is it found convenient in suburban homes.

Its wheels have rubber tires, thus enabling it to make a noiseless entrance and exit, and it is pushed like a perambulator.

When the library or living room is on the first floor it is taken there for afternoon tea.

Though slow in our adoption of it, those who are using the tea wagon think it has come to stay. Its merit being that the longer it is used the more necessary it becomes.

## DARK AGES.

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## A POPULAR SOCIETY MATRON



MRS. HENRY C. CORBIN.

MRS. HENRY C. CORBIN, wife of General Corbin, is giving a series of charming entertainments at her country home near Chevy Chase. Mrs. Corbin was deeply interested in the recent political campaign and had the distinction of being one of the largest contributors to the fund. Before her marriage to General Corbin she was Miss Patten, one of a family of sisters who occupy a palatial residence in Massachusetts avenue, and who are numbered among the most conspicuous hostesses in Washington.

## ONLY LATELY HAS GLASS BEEN MUCH IN USE IN JAPAN.

Until very recent times the use of glass, except in the form of enamel and small ornaments, was unknown in Japan. When the first railway cars were introduced passengers used to break the window glass with their heads, so unused were they to this feature; and finally designs were painted on the panes to show that the sashes were not empty.

Instead of looking glasses most of the Japanese formerly used placid water. Only the wealthy had mirrors, and these were of polished metal. Glass is now used in quantity, of course, but although there are factories in several large cities, notably at Osaka, almost all is imported, and enormous reserve stocks are always kept at Tokyo and Yokohama. During this past year, however, importations have fallen off—presumably an indication that the native glass factories are picking up.

The use of glass for drinking vessels is still rare, porcelain and lacquered wood being preferred.

## WIFE CANNOT MAKE HUSBAND PERFECT

No man yet was ever made more tender by having tenderness demanded of him; no man yet was ever crick into loving his wife more. I am willing to admit that men are as faulty creatures as women themselves, unsympathetic in small things, often blind, and that they may easily be exasperated into small brutalities of speech.

If a woman refrains from exacting devotion, and is unswervingly kind and unselfish, a husband who has any affection for her, and at all can be left to look out for doing his share. He will look out for it anyway; no one else can make him. Neither tears nor entreaties will wring from him those small kindnesses and attentions so dear to women.

—A Wife, in Harper's Bazar.

## WOMEN CLUBS HEADS INVITED TO PANAMA

Federation on Isthmus Plans to Entertain Sisters From States.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 27.—Way down in tropic Colon there are more things than a Government canal; United States military officers, khaki-clad civil engineers, and gangs of men, and all the paraphernalia of a great engineering camp. There are towns with pretty homes, there are women, real American women, the wives of Americans engaged in building the canal, and there are women's clubs.

As evidence of the last fact, and the desire of the women of the Canal Zone to keep in touch with their sisters in "The States," comes an invitation from the Canal Zone Federation of Women's Clubs, composed of eight organizations on the isthmus, to Mrs. Philip N. Moore, of St. Louis, and Mrs. John Dickinson Sherman, of Chicago, respectively, president and vice president of the National Federation of Women's Clubs, to visit the isthmus.

What is more, the invitation received the official sanction of the Government, and has been accepted by Mrs. Moore and Mrs. Sherman.

The Government's approval of the mission was so pronounced that transportation will be given to the women on the steamship Alliance, of the Panama Railroad Company's line. They will sail from New York on January 20, and will spend two weeks visiting their sisters on the isthmus and advancing club work.



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### Stuffing for Ducks.

S. F. N.—For wild ducks no stuffing is required unless it be a few cranberries or a little finely chopped celery, with salt and pepper to season. Serve with slices of fried hominy, an orange salad and either currant, wine grape, or barberry jelly. For the domestic duck an apple or onion stuffing is usually employed.

### Cure for Dyspepsia.

Johnson—A stubborn case of chronic dyspepsia has given way most surprisingly before the use of olive oil and butter. A tablespoonful of the oil is taken after every meal, and all the butter possible is eaten with the meal. Plenty of water, a diet upon rising in the morning and a generous quantity through the day.

### Labor in Ohio.

Cincinnati—Over a half billion dollars, or, to be more exact, \$57,958,578, is invested in the 3,949 manufacturing, mining, and industrial establishments in Ohio which reported to State Commissioner of Labor Statistics W. T. Lewis, according to his report for the past year. This is an increase of 52 over the number reporting in 1906. The total number of employees is 42,770, of whom 4,996 are salesmen and clerks. Labor received in salaries and wages \$34,991,573, of which \$16,834,117 went to office help and salesmen and clerks. Labor reported from Cincinnati number 1,267, which was just one more than from Cleveland, and was an increase of 78 over 1906. In Cincinnati 51,066 males and 15,092 females were employed, receiving wages totaling \$5,447,736, or an average of \$32.26. Salesmen, superintendents, and office help in Cincinnati numbered 8,549, constituting 11.5 per cent of the number employed, and receiving total wages of \$9,821,589, or an average of \$112.45. Office employees in Cleveland constituted only 8.3 per cent of the number employed, and the average salary was \$1,108.37.

### In Game of Pitch.

Hopeful—If two players in a pitch game can count out on the same deal, and one of them is the bidder, he wins the pool. If he has made good his bid, the bidder goes out first.

### Panama Mail.

Postoffice—The mail from this part of the United States for Panama leaves on Tuesdays and Thursdays by the Panama Railroad Steamship line from the foot of West Twenty-seventh street, New York.

### C. & O. Canal.

Visitor—This canal originated in a project formed by Washington as early as 1774 to make the Potomac navigable from tide water to Cumberland and to connect it by common roads and post-roads with the Potomac river, west of the Alleghenies. The Revolution postponed the scheme, but in 1784 it was again broached by Washington, and Maryland and Virginia appointed a joint commission with him at its head, to investigate the subject. The result was the incorporation of a company of which Washington was president until his election as President of the United States compelled his resignation. The project encountered many obstacles, until, in 1829, it was abandoned as impracticable. The board of public works of Virginia took steps which led to the organization of a new company, which constructed the Chesapeake and Ohio canal from Georgetown to Cumberland, completing it in 1850, in connection with the Maryland State officials.

It passes through the Potomac valley to Paw Paw bend, from which point it passes through the mountains by a tunnel 3,115 feet long. The whole length of the canal is 184 miles, its depth six feet, its width at Harpers Ferry, 60 feet at the surface and 42 feet at the bottom. By means of 74 locks, 100 feet long and 15 feet wide, an elevation of 600 feet is gained. All the water is supplied from the Potomac. At Georgetown the canal was led over the Potomac by means of a great wooden aqueduct bridge. The cost of the work was \$11,000,000.

### Richest Americans.

W. A. R.—The names of the richest families in the United States are the Vanderbilts, the Goulds, the Astors, the Rockefellers, the Morgans, the Mackays, the Havermeyers, the Fields, the

Belmonts, the Whitneys, the Letters, the Goetzes, the Lorillards, the Carnegies, the Arnolds, Mrs. Russell Sage, and Mrs. Herty Green. It would be impossible to state the amount of riches each possesses, as often its exactness cannot be verified until their estates are settled.

### Thomas Nelson Page.

Virginia—Thomas Nelson Page was born on the Oakland Plantation, Hanover county, Va., April 23, 1853, son of Major John Page and Elizabeth Burwell Page. He was educated at the Washington and Lee and the University of Virginia. In 1886 he married Anne Seddon Bruce, who died in 1888, and he afterwards, in 1892, married Florence Lathrop, widow of Henry Field, of Chicago. He practiced law in Richmond, Va., from 1875 to 1883, and after that year became a lecturer. The following is a list of some of his works: "In Old Virginia," "Two Little Confederates," "On Newfound River," "The Old South," "Amos, the Camp," "The Burial of the Cross," "The Edinburg Meh Lady," "Marse Chan," "Polly," "Social Life in Old Virginia," "The Old Gentleman in the Black Stock," "Two Prisoners," "Red Rock," "Santa Claus Partner," "A Captured Santa Claus," "Gordon Keith," "Bird in the Bone," "The Coast of Bohemia" (poems), "Under the Crust."

### Boer War.

D. A. F.—The largest number of British troops in South Africa at any one time was 22,000, on June 21, 1900, and the Boers had close to 20,000 engaged at one period of the war. During the war there were 28,283 British officers and soldiers killed or wounded in South Africa.

### Joel Harris.

Gordon—Joel Chandler Harris was born at Eatonton, Ga., December 8, 1848, educated in the common schools and at the University of Georgia. He served an apprenticeship to the printing trade in 1866 and was an editorial writer on Southern newspapers and an editor of the Atlanta Constitution for two or three years, having retired to become editor of Uncle Remus Magazine, which was his occupation at the time of his death.

### Buenos Ayres.

George C.—The pronunciation is Buenos A-ryz, with the accent on the first syllable of each word; the A in A-ryz is like a in ale; in A-ryz the A is like the A in air.

### Parker's Votes.

Republican—Parker received 140 of the electoral votes and a popular vote of 5,077,971. Roosevelt had 138 electoral votes and 7,023,436 popular votes. Bryan received 182 electoral votes and Taft 231. In the last election Taft received a popular vote of 7,587,655 and Bryan 6,330,182.

### Governor of Cuba.

Patriot—Since the occupation by the United States, which began in 1898, Cuba has had one governor, Charles E. Magoon, appointed on October 6, 1906.

### Naturalized Citizen.

R. L. R.—To become a naturalized citizen of this country he will first have to make his declaration of intention. If he is eighteen years of age when he makes this declaration, he may make his declaration of intention immediately. The final papers must be taken out not less than two and not more than seven years after the declaration of intention has been made; but it is also necessary that the petitioner for final naturalization must have been a resident of the United States for a period of at least five years continuously, and of the State, Territory, or District in which the application is made for a period of at least one year preceding the date of the filing of his petition.



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